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1st August, 2002

Securities & Exchange Commission **Division of Corporate Finance** 450, Fifth Street, Washington DC 20459, USA Fax:

Dear Sir,

This is to inform you that at a meeting of the Board of Directors of our Company held today, the Company has decided to sell to ONGC Ltd. 1,503,79,023 Equity Shares of Mangalore Refinery and Petrochemicals Limited at a price of Rs.4.. per share. The completion of the sale is subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions precedent to be set out in a Share Purchase Agreement, which is intended to be executed shortly.

Thanking you, Yours faithfully,

Sanjeev Bafna

Sr. Vice President (Corp. Finance)

GRASIM INDUSTRIES LIMITED